NARROW VARIATIONS IN WHEAT MARKET

Much of the Time There Is Scarcity of Potent Intluences-Weather Generally Favorable, and Crop Reports Satisfactory.

t Russia is the chief obstacle in way of improvement. Apparently, re are ample supplies in that counacted and holders there seem inclined accept comparatively low figures, tralia has also been shipping libuly, but this is partly counterinced by the limited exports really from Argentina.

Effect of Mild Weather.

ie advent of mild, spring-like ther in the West has disclosed lit-or no crop deterioration. There-, it is believed that the area , it is believed that the area and the defendence of this season will be uncomity small. Nevertheless, the new of contracts have ruled comparately firm. In some quarters, this ness was attributed to the impresthat July and September had been nig at too big a discount under contracts. The action of the marinalicated pretty clearly that many lers of May had unloaded and on July instead Some shrewd lers argue that prime wheat will as valuable intrinsically in July that the area n will be uncom-

Crop Reports

Satisfactory.

New York, March 29.—While domestic grain markets were unsettled early in the week, fluctuations were narrow and net changes inconsequential. There was much of the time a scarcity of potent influences, which accounted for the narrow variations. At the outset there was a slightly weaker undertone, which was attributed to the preponderance of bearish sentiment, nearly all scalpers and room traders being inclined to begin the week on the short side, prompted largely by seasonable weather West and the scarcity of crop admage reports. On the whole, cable advices were rather colorless, the net changes abroad being rather insignificant, although they were generally regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets being influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European markets heing influenced by the ample world's shipments and the regarded as discouraging. European the regarded as discouraging in the red of rain in the way of the world in the week of the narrow of the same that direction. Th

the same time last year. Notwith-standing this shrinkage, the visible supply in that country is surprising-ly light, being only 1,680,000 bushels, whereas a year ago it was 8,840,000 bushels. In view of these facts, it is not surprising that exporters expect a fair demand for our wheat in the near future.

kets. Offerings for a time were light, while short sellers displayed anxiety to cover, prompted partly by reports of small farmers' deliveries at country stations. Buying was also prompted by stronger advices from Buenos Aires, where there has been active buying by exporters. It was reported that at least five cargoes of Argentine cornhad been bought for shipments to Galveston previous to April 29. Advices from that port suggested that 1,500,600 bushels were expected to arrive there before the end of May. This, together with reports that three or more cargoes had been bought for June shipment to this market at 65@651-4 cents, served to check the upward tendency.

The market was slightly weaker late.

GREAT FALLING OFF FROM HEAVY DEMANDS

Little Further Bullish Activity Developed During Universities will need raincoats and universities with the uncertain financial weather before us. Week in Cotton—Ample Supply to Meet Requirements of World's Spinners.

New York, March 28.—There was about 8,000 bales arriving on consigning the heavy speculative buying of cotton contracts and enormous covering of corts during the buyles last week that was only natural a great falling off musuch demands should develop this ek. The advance in prices ranged on over \$5 per bale for March from low level of 1206, reached on the contract stock of cotton, which was 65,600 bales last week is now up to 56,600 bales last. March 9, for such contracts, to about eighty points for May to 12.31 and sixty for July to 12.08, or \$4 and \$3 per bale maximum advance for those options. Therefore little further bullish activity developed this week. On Monday there was an advance of eight points on March to its high record price of 13.14 for this movement, while May went up four points to 12.31 and July six points to 12.03, with the later months advancing six to two points, the high price of August being 11.89, against 12.49 for October of the new crop and 11.53 for December.

From those high prices there was a reaction of nineteen points on March and May and fifteen on all the other months Thursday, with nearly a full recovery early yesterday, but only to lose most of this in the closing hour of business yesterday.

Week, is now up to 70,000, against 67,—000 on March 1 and 7,000 on this date last year, with the total stock in licensed warehouses about 107,000, against 102,000 on March 1, and 122,000 last year.

In this warehouse stock, about 30,—000 bales failed to come up to the requirements of even the lowest grades for deliveries on contracts. Trading in the March option will cease at 12 oclock on Tuesday, as that is the last day of the month. Shorts in March have been covering throughout the last last year.

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Expiring March Contracts. More cotton has been received here from the South the past week than had been expected. It has come from Norfolk, Savannah and Galveston, with

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Late Insettlement.

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The market was slightly weaker late in the week, as many of the principal holders for the rise, especially in Chicago, were unloading. It was stated that one house there had marketed about 5,000,000 bushels, but afterwards it began buying again, which caused a partial recovery. While conservative merchants realize that large importations of Argentine corn will tend to prevent any sharp advances, they believe that the importance of this influence has been over estimated. They argue, for one thing, that the movement from that country can only in a limited way counterbalance the shortage in our supplies.

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Chicago in Search of Testimony, Chicago, March 29.—H. J. Haas, of counsel for Leo M. Frank, of Atlanta,

counsel for Leo M. Frank, of Atlanta, Ga., sentenced to die for the murder of Mary Phagan, a factory employe, conferred here to-day with the head of a national detective agency, which has been employed by Frank's friends. An important witness, whose testimony may result in a new trial heing

An important witness, whose testi-ony may result in a new trial being anted Frank, is being sought in one the suburbs of this city, according Haas. He declined to say who the itness was, or what was the nature of the testimony expected.

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A notice has been filed in Atlanta that an extraordinary motion for a new trial would be filed on April 16, the day before the date set for Frank's

STREET IS PLACED IN SOUND POSITION

Unless Investors Become Alarmed, Shrinkage May Continue Without Bringing on Crisis.

BRANDEIS ON RATE INCREASE

Plight of Railroad Employes Becomes More Serious Every Day of Delay.

New York, March 29 .- A man in New money order of 1 cent. That was ig But it would be foolish to argue that such a method of doing business would wreck the republic Grocers sell sugar without a margin of profit, to please their customers and retain trade, an acknowledged cus-

Louis D. Brandels, counsel for the Interstate Commerce Commission, is apparently attempting to justify further delay on the granting of railroad rate increases in directing attention to the fact that many of the large trunk lines have been in the habit of conducting part of their business with an occasional loss.

full 5 per cent would be swallowed up and lost sight of by the increased in-terest charges demanded by capital, and no consideration whatever is taken of the millions lost by depre-ciation in the value of railroad se-curities, while stockholders, this in-cludes women, children and trustees, are facing further serious losses by the reduction and passing of dividends. Viewing the situation from a market Viewing the situation from a market viewpoint, it is highly fortunate that reduced speculation has placed the street in an unusually sound position, and unless investors themselves become alarmed and attempt the liquida-tion of their railroad securities the shrinkage in market prices new going on may continue without bringing on may continue without bringing on a crisis.

output to the curtailment in orders by railroad economy.

Copper alone holds up well, and copper shares are the bright spot in the market. Utah, with the promise of an increased dividend heads the list. Guggethelmer Exploration, a large holder of Utah, will, of course, benefit materially by an increase in the rate on the latter stock, and Guggenhelmer stocks are being accumulated on the theory that the increased dividends will result in a larger distribution to Guggenhelmer stockholders.

Dealers in "outside securities," particularly the Standard Oll stocks, have been reaping a harvest, while their less fortunate brothers on the Stock Exchange are doing nothing.

Political complications promise to enliven the coming month. England had developed a domestic situation that is causing the gravest concern in financial circles at London, while at Torreon, that should have decisive results.

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A remarkable incident of endurance and hardinood was witnessed in Culpeper this week, when Festus Hitt and S. B. Hitt, the eighty-eight-year-old twin brothers and Confederate veterans, walked from their home near Eggbornsville, ten miles distant, to Culpeper, for the purpose of inquiring about their pensions. After they had been satisfied at the clerk's office regarding the pensions, and had rested a short while, they started walking on the homeward journey.

Scalds Are Fatal.

Alexandria Va., March 29.—Margaret
E Roxby, four years old, who fell in
a tub of hot water yesterday afternoon
at the home of her parents Mr and
William Roxby, 435 North Co-

William Roxby, 435 North Columbus Street, died this morning from the effects of the burns received

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"GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY." IN CULPEPER IN MAY

Movement Originated at Meeting of Ministers-Funeral of Lucien Dade Winston.

Dade Winston.

Culpeper, Va., March 29.—A meeting of all the ministers of the Culpeper churches, together with a number of the laity, was held in the Baptist Church on Monday afternoon to formulate plans for a "go to church Sunday" to be observed in Culpeper in the near future. All of the Protestant ministers and Father Rankin, of the Catholic Church, had been invited to take part in this meeting, which was opened by Rev Kensey J. Hammond, of the Episcopal Church, originator of the movement in Culpeper. After a brief address by Mr. Hammond, Major H. C. Burrows was elected chairman, and took charge of the proceedings. It was decided to name the first Sunday in May as the one for special observance, and a committee of five consisting of men promonent in their several denominations, was appointed to have charge of the arrangements. Lincien Dade Winston, one of the eddest and most prominent citizens of the country, whose funeral took place. en Dade Winston, one of the at Winston on Friday, had the distinc-tion of having served in the Confed-erate army from the first call to arms, when he enlisted in the Culpeper Minute Men, to the surrender at Ap-pomattox, with hardly an absence from his company. Since the war Mr. Winston had by indicate in the conference of the con-

WEATHER MAIN THING IN COTTON THIS WEEK

New Orleans, March 29.—The weather will be the main thing in the cotton market this week. Texas news probably will be the feature in the market this week because of the unfavorable weather that has bandicaper will be the main thing in the cotr, with the total stock in warehouses about 107,000, 162,000 on March 1, and 122,000 rs. warehouse stock, about 30,- s failed to come up to the reits of even the lowest grades veries on contracts. Trading larch option will cease at 12 probably will be the feature in the

Barr portions of the cotton country.

Bears predict a falling off in the export movement this week, because of the filling of March shipments. On the other hand, bulls say that any falling off in exports and the spot demand will be quickly reflected in a falling off in the movement into sight and the into sight has been a bear argument for a long time.

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WITH THE FARMERS

By Prof. W. F. MASSEY

(Letters addressed to Professor Manney must have stamp inclosed for answer.)

Fertilizer for To-

would not grow cotton, and his father had not grown any, and he wanted to

pure, visited Culpener this week, and after making experiments when the second proposed of the land of the several proposed of the land of

grass or clover it is hard to manage Richmond, R. F.
D.: "Please give
me the best fertilizer for tomatoes."
I cover the soil with
manure and then

Watermelon Seed Wanted. apply a fertilizer that runs 2 per cent ammonia, 8 per cent phosphoric acid and 10 per cent potash at rate of 1,000 pounds an acre, and I grow fine tomatoes. If you have not the manure, then use this grade of fertilizer, and give the plants a toporcessing of nigorous application.

Watermelon Seed Wanted.

A Long Island grower wants to get some seed of Muskel's watermelon, which he says that he has heard is grown on the Eastern Shore of Virginia, but he cannot get it from seeds men. If any of our readers in Virginia know who has this melon, I would like to hear from them. I must confess that I have never heard of such a watermelon.

Grasses for Halifax County.

"What kind of grass seed shall I sow for mileb cow for mileb, cow for mileb, cow for mileb, cow for mileb, cow for mileb cow for mileb company."

then use this grade of fertilizer, and give the plants at todressing of intrate of soda around the hills, about a small handful to each, after they have recovered from the transplanting. I am writing this March 18th and am now about to transplanting. I am writing this March 18th and am now about to transplant my tomates from the greenbouse to the cold frames, on which I use the double-glazed sashes. In the frames I set them four inches apart each way and deeper than they grew in the flats, and then keep them as hardy as practicable by giving air on sumy days and keeping them short and stout so that when time comes for setting out they come up with a mass of soil attached, being lifted with a trowel, and seldom with all after setting.

Cotton on Black Swamp Land.

Eastrn North Carolina: "I would like some information in regard to my black swamp or bay soil. It has only been cleared five years, and I have tried to grow cotton on it, and have nearly made a failure every time. It is a black soil twelve to fourteen inches deep, underlayed with clay. A few spots grow cotton very well, while elsewhere the cotton dies. Have never used any fertilizer. It makes corn and peas very well." The fact that you have used no fertilizer explains the difficulty. Soil of that nature has an abundance of potential nitrogen, but is deficient in phosphoric acid, and expectable to the control of the that was a subundance of potential nitrogen, but is deficient in phosphoric acid, and expectable to the state of the foods that make the cotton. Land of hat character will make a big plant, but will not fruit, because the eight of the protessing with the owner of a large swamp farm near Portsmouth. Va. he said that every one told him that his, black soil would not grow cotton, and he wanted to know why cotton would not thrive on the hard that of the owner of a large swamp farm near Portsmouth. Va. he said that every one told him that his, black soil would not grow cotton, and he wanted to know why cotton would not thrive on

Hanever County: "I read your umns in The Times-Dispatch had not grown any, and he wanted to know why cotton would not thrive on such apparently rich land.

I suggested that he try heavy applications of phosphate and potash, and he did so, and for years has been making as fine cotton on the black soil as is grown anywhere. Give your land 500 pounds of acid phosphate or Thomas phosphate and fifty pounds of muriate potash an acre, and it will title difference, I suppose, when the much pleasure and benefit. muriate potash an acre, and it will little difference, I suppose, when the make cotton doubtless.

Strawberry Weevils.

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"Do you know of any spray preparation that will control the weevil that destroys so many strawberry blooms?" it wish that I did, for there is no insect to the coupless of the acid phosphate, as the cowpeas do not especially like lime applied distinctions of the coupless of the couples of the couples





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